

Charles M. Woolsey House
Hopewell Township, Mercer County, New Jersey
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Owner: Charles M. Woolsey

Date of Erection: 1765

Architect:

Builder: Jeremiah Woolsey

Present Condition: Excellent

Number of Stories: Two and one-half

Materials of Construction: Foundation - 18" stone to grade,
16" brick above grade

Exterior walls - brick, Flemish
bond on front and end, straight
bond in the rear

Interior walls - white coat
plaster; floor boards random
width

Roof - wood shingles on lath

Historical Data:

The Woolsey Homestead has been occupied by the Woolsey family from upward to two hundred years, having in every generation descended from father to son. The dwelling was built in 1765; while there are older houses in the township there is probably none in an equally good state of preservation.

The first Woolsey in this country was George, who settled in Manhattan in 1635; later on he removed to Jamaica, Long Island. A grandson, another George

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Woolsey, moved to Hopewell Township, Mercer County.
It was a son of his who built the present structure.

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